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USTDA Promotes Integrated Gas Production and Processing in Kazakhstan *Supports JSC KazTransGas' plan to expand production and processing of helium, nitrogen and natural gas*

ASTANA, KAZAKHSTAN – Today, the U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) awarded a \$626,000 grant to Kazakhstan gas transmission and distribution company, JSC KazTransGas (KTG), to provide a feasibility study to increase gas production and processing in the country. The grant was signed at the U.S. Embassy in Astana by U.S. Deputy Chief of Mission Elisabeth Millard on behalf of USTDA, and by KTG Deputy General Director Anatoly Tegisbayev on behalf of JSC KazTransGas.

The USTDA grant will allow JSC KazTransGas to determine the economic, technical and financial feasibility of the exploration, extraction, and processing of helium, natural gas, and nitrogen from existing gas fields in the Zhambyl region of Kazakhstan. Through the separation of the gas stream, the three gasses would be processed, purified and sold separately.

“This project is a priority for KTG and the Government of Kazakhstan due to the project’s potential for increasing the production and utilization of value-added products such as ammonia and fertilizer,” said USTDA Regional Director Geoffrey Jackson. “We are pleased to support the development of KTG’s integrated gas production and processing capacities and to connect them with U.S. expertise and solutions.”

JSC KazTransGas is a subsidiary of KazMunayGas, the state-owned national oil and gas company, which is itself a subsidiary of the state-owned holding company Samruk-Kazyna. KTG’s primary lines of business are gas transmission and distribution; however, the company is also involved with gas production. KTG provides more than 80% of all gas transmission in Kazakhstan, but only produces about 1% of Kazakhstan’s natural gas by volume.

The opportunity to conduct the USTDA-funded feasibility study will be competed on the Federal Business Opportunities (FBO) website. A link to the FBO announcement will be posted to USTDA’s website at www.ustda.gov. Interested U.S. firms should submit proposals according to the instructions in the FBO announcement.

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